The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a special meeting at Cody's Road House located at 1320 Broadway Avenue East in Mattoon on December 21, 2009.

Mayor David W. Cline presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Randy Ervin, YEA Commissioner Tim Gover, Absent Commissioner Rick Hall, YEA Commissioner Chris Rankin, YEA Mayor David Cline.

Mayor Cline introduced Mr. James Gitz, a leading candidate for the successor city administrator position with a public reception following. Commissioner Hall arrived and answered physically present at 6:10 p.m.

Mayor Cline seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to recess to closed session at 6:54 p.m. pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of considering the employment, performance or dismissal of employees of the municipality (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(1)): Interviewing leading candidate, Mr. James Gitz, for the successor city administrator position.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Council reconvened from closed session at 6:59 p.m. on December 22, 2009 in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Commissioner Gover seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien City Clerk